

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: ROBERTS et al.) Examiner: ZHENG, Li
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For: CYTOPLASMIC GENE INHIBITION OF GENE EXPRESSION IN
TRANSFECTED PLANTS BY A TOBRAVIRAL VECTOR

RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL REJECTION

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

July 27, 2007

Dear Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Action mailed 2/27/2007, wherein the Examiner set a three-month period for reply. A Petition for a two-month extension of time is attached, making this response timely filed.

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper. Claims 3, 6-24, 27, 32 and 36 are pending. Claims 3, 6, 7, 12, 14, 20, 22, 27, 32 and 36 are currently amended.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.